

IN THE CLAIMS

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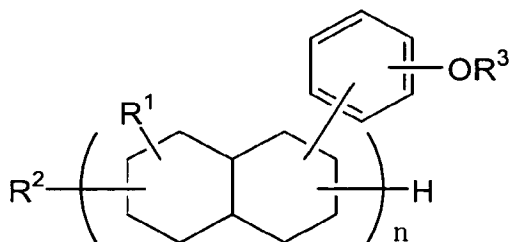
Claims 1-18 (Canceled)

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): A double side metal-clad composite dielectric substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by placing ~~the a prepreg of claim 14~~ between a pair of metal foils, followed by laminating press, and

wherein the prepreg is prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a dielectric ceramic powder in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a cloth base, and drying, and wherein

the content of the dielectric ceramic powder is from 10 to 65 vol%, based on the dielectric ceramic powder and the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound combined, and wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)

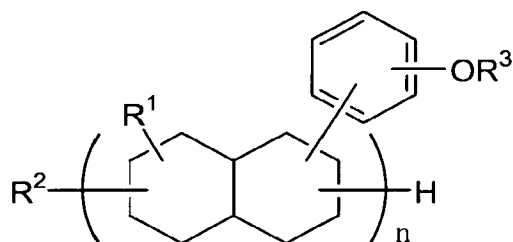


wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): A double side metal-clad composite dielectric substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a dielectric ceramic powder in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry onto a metal foil to form a coating, drying the coating to form ~~the~~ a coated metal foil, and placing a cloth base between a pair of the coated metal foils, such that the coating is in contact with the cloth base, followed by laminating press, and wherein

the content of the dielectric ceramic powder is from 10 to 65 vol%, based on the dielectric ceramic powder and the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound combined, and  
wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

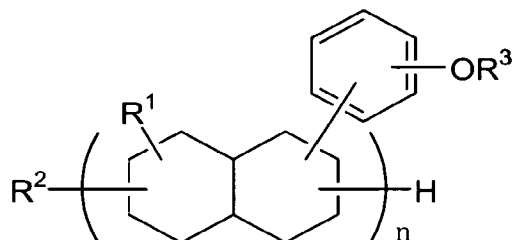
Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The substrate of claim 20, wherein the cloth base is glass cloth.

Claim 22 (Canceled)

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): The substrate of claim 20, wherein the dielectric ceramic powder has a mean particle size of 0.5 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): A coated metal foil, ~~to be used in the composite dielectric substrate of claim 20~~ comprising a metal foil having thereon a dielectric substrate prepared from a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a dielectric ceramic powder, and wherein the content of the dielectric ceramic powder is from 10 to 65 vol%, based on the dielectric ceramic powder and the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound combined, and wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein  $\text{R}^1$  denotes methyl or ethyl,  $\text{R}^2$  denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms,  $\text{R}^3$  denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and  $n$  is a number from 2 to 4.

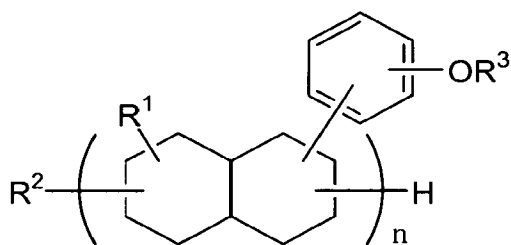
Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The coated metal foil of claim 24, wherein the metal foil is copper foil.

Claim 26 (Canceled)

Claim 27 (Currently Amended): A double side metal-clad composite dielectric substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a dielectric ceramic powder in a solvent to form a slurry, drying and molding the slurry into a molded sheet, and placing the molded sheet between a pair of metal foils, followed by laminating press, wherein

the content of the dielectric ceramic powder is from 10 to 65 vol% based on the dielectric ceramic powder and the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound combined, and wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claims 28-30 (Canceled)

Claim 31 (Currently Amended): The composite dielectric substrate of claim 19, wherein the metal foil is copper foil.

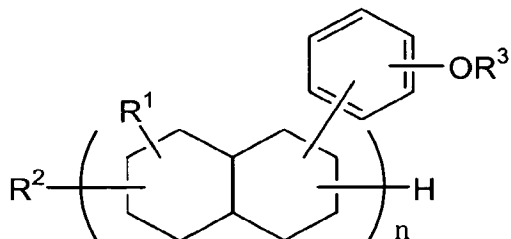
Claim 32 (Currently Amended): A composite dielectric substrate of multilayer construction, ~~which has been prepared by laminating press of the prepreg of claim 14, the coated metal foil of claim 24, the molded sheet of claim 30, or the composite dielectric substrate of claim 18.~~

Claim 33 (Currently Amended): The composite dielectric substrate of claim 19, ~~for use~~ wherein the substrate maintains its dielectric constant in a high-frequency region of at least 100 MHz.

Claims 34-39 (Canceled)

Claim 40 (Currently Amended): A prepreg ~~which has been~~ prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a magnetic powder in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a metal foil, and drying, and  
wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)

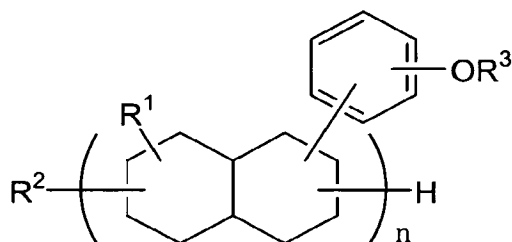


wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 41 (Currently Amended): A substrate ~~which has been~~ prepared by laminating press ~~the prepreg of claim 39~~ a prepreg prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a magnetic powder in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a glass cloth, and drying, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



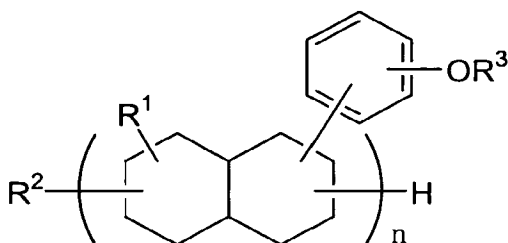
wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 42 (Currently Amended): A double side metal foil-clad substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by placing metal foils on opposite surfaces of ~~the~~ a prepreg of claim 39, followed by laminating press,

wherein the prepreg is prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a magnetic powder in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a glass cloth, and drying, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

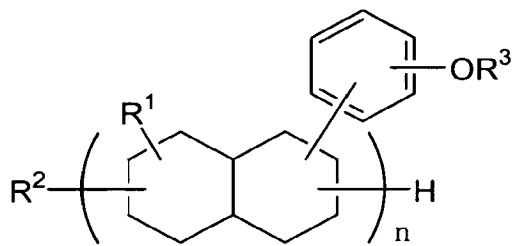
Claim 43 (Currently Amended): A double side metal foil-clad substrate ~~which has been~~ prepared by placing two plies of the prepreg of claim 40 on opposite surfaces of a glass cloth, such that the metal foils are positioned outside, followed by laminating press.

Claim 44 (Canceled)

Claim 45 (Currently Amended): A substrate ~~which has been~~ prepared by laminating press ~~the prepreg of claim 44~~ a prepreg, prepared by mixing a polyvinylbenzyl ether

compound and a magnetic powder at a temperature of not lower than the melting point of the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and molding the resulting solid mixture under pressure, and wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

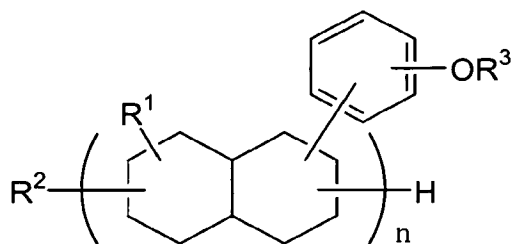
Claim 46 (Currently Amended): A double side metal foil-clad substrate, ~~which has been prepared by placing metal foils on opposite surfaces of the a prepreg of claim 44,~~ followed by laminating press, and

wherein the prepreg is prepared by mixing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a magnetic powder at a temperature of not lower than the melting point of the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and molding the resulting solid mixture under pressure, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)





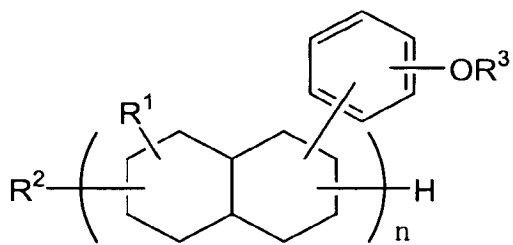
wherein  $R^1$  denotes methyl or ethyl,  $R^2$  denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms,  $R^3$  denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and  $n$  is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 47 (Currently Amended): A multilayer substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by stacking at least two plies of ~~the a prepreg or substrate of claim 44,~~ followed by laminating press, and

wherein the prepreg is prepared by mixing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a magnetic powder at a temperature of not lower than the melting point of the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and molding the resulting solid mixture under pressure, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



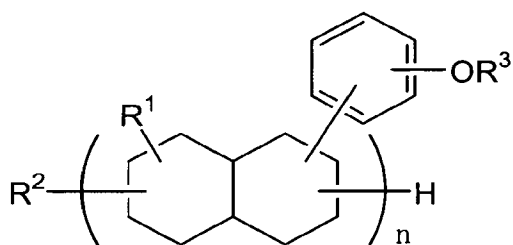
wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

### Claims 48-52 (Canceled)

Claim 53 (Currently Amended): A prepreg ~~which has been~~ prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a flame retardant in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a metal foil, and drying, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



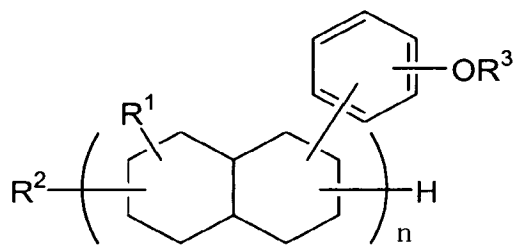
wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 54 (Currently Amended): A substrate, which has been prepared by laminating  
press the a prepreg, of claim 52 prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound

and a flame retardant in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a glass cloth, and drying, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



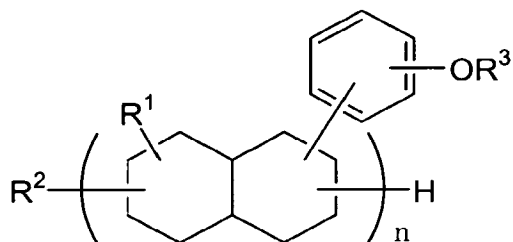
wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 55 (Currently Amended): A double side metal foil-clad composite dielectric substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by placing metal foils on opposite surfaces of ~~the a~~ prepreg of claim 52, followed by laminating press, and

wherein the prepreg is prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a flame retardant in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a glass cloth, and drying, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



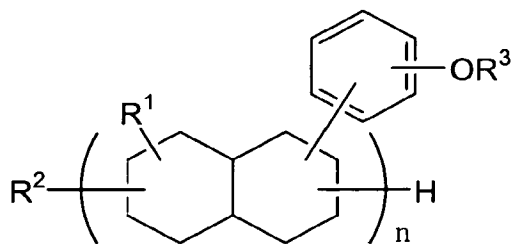
wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 56 (Currently Amended): A double side metal foil-clad substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by placing two plies of the prepreg of claim 53 on opposite surfaces of a glass cloth, such that the metal foils are positioned outside, followed by laminating press.

Claim 57 (Currently Amended): A prepreg ~~which has been~~ prepared by mixing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a flame retardant at a temperature of not lower than the melting point of the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and molding the resulting solid mixture under pressure, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 58 (Currently Amended): A substrate which ~~has been~~ is prepared by laminating press the prepreg of claim 57.

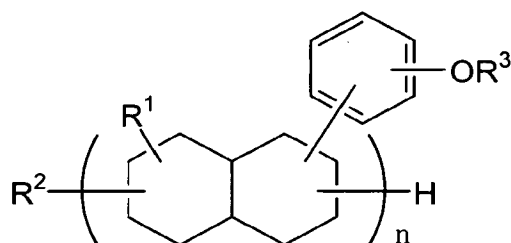
Claim 59 (Currently Amended): A double side metal foil-clad substrate which ~~has been~~ is prepared by placing metal foils on opposite surfaces of the prepreg of claim 57, followed by laminating press.

Claim 60 (Currently Amended): A multilayer substrate, ~~which has been~~ prepared by stacking at least two plies of ~~the a prepreg or substrate of claim 52,~~ followed by laminating press, and

wherein the prepreg is prepared by dispersing a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound and a flame retardant in a solvent to form a slurry, applying the slurry to a glass cloth, and drying,  
and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



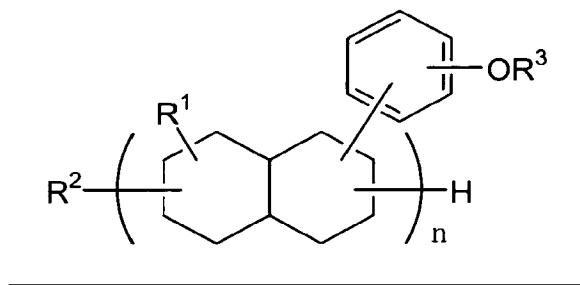
wherein  $R^1$  denotes methyl or ethyl,  $R^2$  denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms,  $R^3$  denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and  $n$  is a number from 2 to 4.

Claims 61-78 (Canceled)

Claim 79 (Currently Amended): An electronic part comprising ~~an~~ at least one organic dielectric layer containing at least a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, a at least one composite magnetic layer having a magnetic powder dispersed in a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, or a at least one composite dielectric layer having a dielectric powder dispersed in a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and

wherein the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound has the following formula (1):

(1)



wherein R<sup>1</sup> denotes methyl or ethyl, R<sup>2</sup> denotes hydrogen or a hydrocarbon group of 1 to 10 carbon atoms, R<sup>3</sup> denotes hydrogen or a vinylbenzyl group in a molar ratio of hydrogen to vinylbenzyl of from 60:40 to 0:100, and n is a number from 2 to 4.

Claim 80 (Canceled)

Claim 81 (Currently Amended): The electronic part of claim 79, further comprising at least one layer containing at least reinforcing fibers.

Claim 82 (Currently Amended): The electronic part of claim 79 comprising the at least one organic dielectric layer containing the polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and having a dielectric constant of 2.6 to 3.5 and a dielectric dissipation factor of 0.0025 to 0.005.

Claim 83 (Currently Amended): The electronic part of claim 79, comprising the at least one ~~first~~ composite dielectric layer having a dielectric powder dispersed in a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and said dielectric powder having a dielectric constant of 20 to 10,000 and a dielectric dissipation factor of 0.01 to 0.001, and said ~~first~~ composite

dielectric layer having a dielectric constant of 5 to 20 and a dielectric dissipation factor of 0.0025 to 0.0075.

Claim 84 (Currently Amended): The electronic part of claim 79, further comprising at least one second composite dielectric layer, having a dielectric powder dispersed in a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and said dielectric powder having a dielectric constant of 20 to 10,000 and a dielectric dissipation factor of 0.01 to 0.0001 and being present in an amount of 40 to 65 vol%, and said second composite dielectric layer having a dielectric constant of 10 to 40 and a dielectric dissipation factor of 0.0075 to 0.025.

Claim 85 (Currently Amended): The electronic part of claim 79, comprising the at least one composite magnetic layer, having a magnetic powder dispersed in a polyvinylbenzyl ether compound, and said magnetic powder being present in an amount of 25 to 65 vol%, and said composite magnetic layer having a magnetic permeability of 3 to 20.

Claim 86 (Currently Amended): The electronic part of claim 79, wherein at least any one layer contains at least one flame retardant.